Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment Interim Committee

HB 115 Solid Waste Fee Revisions

November 15, 2017



Solid waste generation and management in Utah

- Waste generation: 4.4 million tons annually (5-year average)
- Waste Management Facilities: 168
- 115 Permits
- 53 Plans of Operation



Program Elements

- 1. Permitting
- 2. Compliance Monitoring
- 3. Technical Assistance
- 4. Recycling
- 5. Education and Outreach

Technical Program Staff

- 1. Program Manager
- 2. One Engineer
- 3. Five Scientists

Total Program costs: \$1,658,000



Current Municipal Facility Fees

Fee	Tons per year
\$0	Under 5,000
\$800	5,000-10,000
\$1,450	10,000-20,000
\$3,850	20,000-50,000
\$12,250	50,000-100,000
\$14,700	100,000-200,000
\$33,000	200,000-500,000
\$66,000	500,0000 or more

Current Commercial Facility Fees

Fee per ton	Type of Waste
\$0.13	Municipal waste
\$0.50	Construction and demolition waste
\$2.50	All other waste



Other Fees

Fee per ton	Type of Waste
\$0.13	Municipal waste disposed at facilities under sole contract with a local government
\$2.50	Waste received at a municipally operated disposal facility generated outside the boundaries of the political subdivision - received from a single generator and exceeds 500 tons in a calendar year

Fees for a recycling center or transfer station that disposes of waste at a facility that is not subject to a fee

Fee per ton	Type of Waste
\$0.05	Municipal Waste
\$0.10	Construction & demolition waste
\$1.25	All other waste



HB 115 Policy Directives

- 1. Establish a fee schedule for the treatment, transfer, and disposal of all nonhazardous solid waste.
- 2. Consult with industry and local government.
- 3. Complete a review of program costs and indirect costs.



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Fee Schedule

- 1. Create an fair and equitable fee to be paid by all persons creating a regulatory burden for the Department.
- 2. Cover the fully-burdened costs of the program.
- 3. Provide for reasonable and timely oversight by the Department.
- 4. Adequately meet the needs of industry, local government and the Department.
- 5. Provide stable funding for the Environmental Quality Restricted Account.
- 6. Give consideration to a fee differential for a transfer facility no greater than 50% of the fee for treatment or disposal of solid waste.



Regulatory Burden

Regulatory burden means:

- 1. Subject to statute/rules.
- 2. Have/need a permit or plan of operation.
- 3. Receive a periodic inspection.

Of the 168 solid waste management facilities who have permits or plans of operation:

- 1. 41 pay fees.
- 2. 127 do not pay fees.
- 3. One facility pays 40% of the solid waste program costs.



Scoping Meetings

April – June 2017

Seven locations state-wide

What we heard:

One fee per ton

Flat fee

Base amount, plus eight different fees based on facility type, waste type and ownership



Proposed Fee

\$500 minimum

OR

21 cents per ton for all solid waste treated or disposed

11 cents per ton for all solid waste transferred



Payment of Fees

Current Fees

Paid through December 31, 2018, paid monthly and annually (41 facilities).

Last payment due January 15, 2019

New Fees

Beginning January 1, 2019, paid quarterly (168 facilities).

First payment due by April 15, 2019
Second payment due by July 15, 2019
Third payment due by October 15, 2019
Fourth payment due by January 15, 2020

